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TO REGULATE AUTO TRAFFIC IN THIS DISTRICT

In The Matter of the Investigation of Automobile Traffic on Auto Stage Lines Between Clifton, Morenci and Vicinity

Docket No. 350.

Geary, Commissioner:
Pursuant to notice thereof duly given, this cause came regularly on for hearing before the Commission at Clifton, Arizona on the 17th day of August, 1916.

The complaint herein involves service, character of service and safety features appertaining to the same, rather than rates. There appears to be no contest or complaint regarding the latter feature. From the testimony of the various witnesses, it is evident that the automobile lines engaged in transporting passengers and freight for hire between Clifton and Morenci and intermediate points are badly in need of regulation. The various drivers who are in the business are unanimous in their demand that a bond of the owner or lessee of each automobile, conditioned for the safety of the public in such manner as the Commission may deem best, shall be imposed by the Commission. The highway traversed is extremely mountainous, carrying innumerable sharp curves and having heavy grades, and experience in drivers is paramountly necessary to insure safety. Several accidents have taken place upon this highway and the evidence shows that persons have operated automobiles thereon without previous experience and their cars being unequipped with brakes or other safety features. A cash payment of One Hundred Dollars upon a Ford car and an optimistic feeling as to the commercial features of the situation appear to be the present qualifications necessary for engaging in traffic upon this particular highway. We deem it our duty to attach responsibility to this field of operation by requiring the filing of a bond as set forth in the order herein and the institution of rules and regulations hereinafter designated.

All facts of record being duly considered, it is the opinion of the Commission, and

It is therefore ordered that public convenience, necessity and safety demand the institution and observance of the following order:

This case being at issue upon complaint, and notice of hearing having been duly served upon all firms, corporations, associations and persons owning, operating or maintaining automobile stage lines in the transportation of persons and property for hire between Clifton and Morenci and intermediate points within the State of Arizona, and a public hearing having been held at which the public and all parties in interest were given an opportunity to be heard, and the Commission having, on the date hereof, made and filed a report containing its findings of fact and conclusions thereon, which said report is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

IT IS ORDERED: That all persons and associations of persons, whether incorporated or otherwise, operating automobiles, automobile stage lines, motor cars or motor vehicles, for the transportation of passengers or property for hire between Clifton and Morenci, and points intermediate there-to, shall, on or before the 15th day of October, 1916, observe and conform to the following rules and regulations:

1. Each passenger shall be supplied with a ticket which shall contain and show:

a. A serial number.
b. Date of sale and date of expiration.

c. The rate or price paid for same.
d. The amount of liability of carrier to passenger and liability for baggage if limited.

2. All chauffeurs or drivers operating or driving cars in the service herein referred to shall be at least twenty-one years of age; shall have had at least one year's experience in driving and operating automobiles, and shall be sufficiently acquainted with the road and route to safely operate a car thereon.

3. Cars must not be loaded in excess of their seating capacity as declared or rated by the manufacturer.

4. No property shall be carried in or upon cars, on footboards or otherwise, which projects beyond the footboards or fenders of cars.
No person, or association of persons, whether incorporated or otherwise, shall drive or operate, or allow or cause to be driven or operated, any automobile or other motor vehicle carrying passengers for hire between Clifton and Morenci and intermediate points, unless and until he shall have first filed in the office of the Corporation Commission of the State of Arizona, at all the times while such person is driving or operating such automobile for hire, a bond of the owner or lessee of such automobile for hire, with a Surety company as surety thereon in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars for each car operated. The total liability on such Five Thousand Dollar bond for loss from accident resulting in bodily injury to, or in the death of, one person is limited to five thousand dollars, and subject to the

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES OCT. 16

Trial Jury is Drawn for the Term. Civil and Criminal Calendars Set. Court House News.

On Monday morning at the court house the trial jury for the October term of the Superior Court was drawn and cases on the civil and criminal docket were set for trial. A great many of the civil cases were passed and the majority of the criminal cases are for infraction of the prohibition law. One burglary, two grand larceny and two murder cases will undoubtedly occupy the attention of the court for some time on the criminal calendar, while the ten liquor cases will also probably occupy several days in trying. Eight civil cases have been set for trial and of these three are against the Arizona Copper Co., Ltd., for damages.

The fifty men who will constitute the trial jury panel for the October term are as follows:

F. L. Adams, H. K. Catlin, Thos. H. Clark, J. A. Hildreth, C. E. Mc Selvey, Thos. W. Brown, H. Darr, R. B. Erwin, D. W. P. Elyar, J. S. Chessier, King Sloan, D. V. Beale, Evert Hagan, W. J. Mayfield, E. G. Selade, Frank Springer, John S. Thompson, Bill McDonald, Paul F. Crowley, J. R. Wester, J. M. Crockett, Ben H. Cody, L. T. Kissinger, W. H. P. Goddard, C. H. Hyde, C. W. Beck, E. L. Wilson, W. D. McKeehan, E. C. Adams, W. H. Moon, John C. Cosner, Hugh Quinn, Phil McNair, J. B. Cook, Tom Larkin, A. S. Grimes, J. G. Scott, A. L. Gravelly, C. E. Collins, W. L. Coffin, James Elledge, Warner Foote, C. C. Martin, W. J. Riley, G. A. Franz, M. C. Kendrick, Dan Rorabaugh, J. M. Kilsby.

Criminal Calendar
The dates set for the trial of criminal cases are as follows:

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Mauricio Valverde, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. H. P. House, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Jose Ornelas and Francisco Villalpanda, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Leonard Smith, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Phil Rapier and D. T. Motes, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Leonico Portillas, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Rolland James, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Zona Gessinger, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Francisco Porres, liquor.

October 16—State of Arizona vs. Refugio Voytis, liquor.

October 16th—State of Arizona vs. Jose Guajardo et al., false imprisonment.

October 16th—State of Arizona vs. Gabriel de la Hoz, assault with intent to commit murder.

October 16th—State of Arizona vs. Antonio Esendero, appeal from Morenci Justice Court.

October 16th—State of Arizona vs. Juan Telles, burglary.

October 16th—State of Arizona vs. E. J. Moreno, murder.

October 17th—State of Arizona vs. Bronson McMahon, grand larceny.

October 18th—State of Arizona vs. Walter Holloman, grand larceny.

October 18th—State of Arizona vs. Benigno Medina and Aurelio V. Azor, resisting an officer.

DEMOCRATS HOLD ROUSING MEETING

Arrangements Made for Meetings in Every Part of the County—State Speakers to Be Here

On last Friday evening at the court house the democrats held a rousing meeting at which was present a large crowd of the faithful. The meeting was harmonious from the start and all were agreed that in the few remaining weeks before the general election a vigorous campaign would be waged in behalf of the state and county candidates. A goodly campaign fund was raised at the meeting and plans for the campaign in detail were arranged.

It is the intention of the county candidates to tour the county collectively as well as individually and precinct on dates to be announced later, at which time the various speakers will expound their merits as to qualifications for the offices to which they aspire. The democratic congressional and state candidates will also cover the state, being divided into two parties, one of which is already on the road. The first division consists of Senator Ashurst, Jesse L. Boyce, David B. Johnson, C. O. Case, Amos A. Betts and G. H. Bolin. The second party will consist of Congressman Hayden, Governor Hunt, Tax Commissioner Howe, Secretary of State Osborn, and Attorney General Jones. The dates when the parties will visit Clifton have not been definitely arranged but will be made public in a short time.

The county democratic organization expect from now on to enter the campaign in earnest and matters of importance in regard to the itinerary were decided upon.

One of the principle matters to come before the meeting on Friday evening was the drafting and adoption of a county platform and a declaration of principles by the county organization which will be found on page 4 of this issue of the Era.

October 18th—State of Arizona vs. Leodezelo Martinez, rape.

October 19th—State of Arizona vs. W. H. Lantz, murder.

Civil Calendar

October 23rd—O. J. Cotey vs. Greenlee county, debt.

October 23rd—Geo. Burkner vs. J. Leszinsky, adverse proceedings.

October 25th—John Cordecia, adm. vs. A. C. Co., damages.

October 28th—Evert Hagan vs. A. C. Co., damages.

October 28th—Wade Hampton vs. C. B. Bruton.

October 28th—Marie V. Guerra, adm. vs. A. C. Co., damages.

October 28th—American Soda Fountain Co. vs. J. L. T. Waters, debt.

New Suits Filed in Superior Court

Micalla R. de Cuaron vs. Jesus Cuaron, maintenance for support of child and self.

Mae Robertson vs. Martin Robertson, divorce.

Duncan Lumber Co. vs. Duncan Union High School Dist. No. 2. This is an action for debt in the sum of \$1303.92 for material purchased by W. S. Humphrey, contractor, and A. H. Slaughter and B. F. Billingsley as sureties.

Madge Armstrong vs. William Armstrong, divorce.

Jas. D. Hagan has been awarded the custody of Frances Hagan, a minor child.

MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

First General Meeting of Year Held at Princess Theatre With a Good Attendance—Interesting Session is Result

On Tuesday at the Princess Theatre was held the first general meeting of the Clifton Woman's Club at which time a good attendance was present. A result of the meeting was one of the most interesting sessions ever held by the Club and every minute was replete with entertainment and enjoyment.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Joe Deck and at the conclusion of the business meeting Mrs. W. B. Foote gave a half hour talk on "Parliamentary Usage." Following Mrs. Foote's remarks Mrs. Sarah Butler Yorke read an interesting paper on "Arizona History" which was listened to with close attention and was replete with thrills and abounded in personal difficulties encountered by the writer in the early days when she and her family emigrated to Yorke Flat, which was named for her family.

Mrs. Augusta Gregg gave a talk on the need of a local Y. M. C. A. to take care of the young men and where they could spend their spare time to profitable advantage. She touched upon the subject of a Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls organization. Mrs. Irvine made a report on the affairs of the Civic Section and stated that the Club had netted the sum of \$164.71 in the sale of tags on September 12. The balance of the afternoon was turned over to the musical section in charge of Mrs. W. B. Kelly, who gave a short talk on the advisability of having a "Choral Society" and after discussion by the Club members it was decided to take active steps for such an organization.

Mrs. Minson gave a short talk on Geraldine Farrar which was enjoyed by all the members. Mrs. Davis, in her usual delightful manner, pleased her hearers with two solos entitled, "Red Roses" and "The Parting." Mrs. O. J. Ruffelson rendered "Sunset" and "His Lullaby" after which the meeting was concluded with a piano solo by Mrs. R. R. Umfleet.

The Art and Literary section of the Club will meet on Monday afternoon next at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. A. R. Lynch, while the Music Section will meet with Mrs. W. B. Kelly on next Friday afternoon at 2:30.

REDLIGHT DISTRICT CLOSED

On Tuesday night of this week, owing to continued disturbances in one of the disreputable resorts on Chase Creek, the town officers arrested the inmates as well as several young men visitors and as a consequence all disorderly houses have been closed and it is understood to be the intention of the officers to keep them closed.

These disorderly houses have for many years been not only a source of annoyance to the officers but to the law abiding citizens and respectable members of the community and this move on the part of the town officials will be looked upon with favor by the better class of citizens.

It is understood that upon the night of the arrests the inmates and visitors had been drinking heavily and this was the cause of the disturbance which ultimately led to their arrest. It could not be established who sold the liquor but as a precautionary measure the houses were closed and according to the officers will remain closed.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER ARRIVES FROM ALBUQUERQUE

Is Making a Personal Investigation of Proposed Clifton-Springerville Highway in Company With Supervisor Dutton and County Engineer S. C. Redd.

That District Forester Reddington is showing a lively interest in the cooperative Forest Highway project, between Clifton and Springerville, was demonstrated this week when Mr. A. N. Powell, of the office of Public Roads at Washington, at present assigned to the Forestry Department, arrived in Clifton.

Mr. Powell arrived on the afternoon train Monday and was met at the depot by County Engineer S. C. Redd and Supervisor W. W. Dutton. His visit to this section at the present time is the direct result of a conference held at Albuquerque between District Forester Reddington and Forest Highway Engineer Powell, on the one hand, and Supervisors Dutton and County Engineer Redd on the other, which meeting was held at Albuquerque during the first week of September.

Since that meeting the Board of Supervisors of this county, in accordance with the rules and regulations laid down by the Secretary of Agriculture, has submitted an application for the cooperative construction of the Clifton-Springerville Forest Highway approved by State Engineer Lamar Cobb, which application is now in the hands of the District Forester at Albuquerque for his recommendation, and in order to get additional data on this proposed highway, made possible by a recent appropriation by congress, Mr. Powell is making a personal investigation of the route in a general way.

Mr. Powell spent Tuesday in looking over the highway construction in the district and was escorted to Metcalf and Morenci by auto accompanied by P. Riley and John M. Webster of the Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Powell, expressed himself as highly pleased with the highway construction already accomplished in this county and is a firm believer that it is economy in the long run to build first-class highways, if only for a short distance, rather than attempt to spread an appropriation over an extended area.

Mr. Powell gave it as his personal opinion that the policy of the Department of Agriculture would favor the expenditure of Arizona's first year's appropriation, amounting to approximately \$60,000, on one single highway project.

In company with Supervisor Dutton, County Engineer Redd and Forest Ranger Adams, Mr. Powell left on Wednesday morning for the northern portion of the county via Metcalf and on the return will travel via the Blue and Frisco.

The recommendation of the District Forester regarding the Forest Highway projects must be in the hands of the Secretary of Agriculture before January 1 and every indication points to the favorable recommendation of the Clifton-Springerville Highway as one of the Arizona projects to receive immediate attention.

Returns from Vacation—

Sum Forbes, who had been spending the past month in California, returned to Clifton Saturday and has resumed his work with the Shannon Copper Co.

STATE HIGHWAY IS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Force of One Hundred Prisoners from Florence at Work on the West End of the Clifton-Solomonville Road—Washington Official Visits Camp.

Hon. Lamar Cobb, State Engineer, arrived in Clifton the first part of last week, coming via Globe and Solomonville and over a portion of the new east and west state highway now under construction by convict labor between Solomonville and Clifton. About a hundred prisoners are now employed on this work, two camps being maintained in Graham county but the honor camp will shortly be moved to Greenlee county.

Mr. Cobb was on one of his regular trips of inspection of state highways and was accompanied by Assistant Engineer John Barlow, who is the engineer in charge of the construction, which it is estimated will cost approximately two hundred thousand dollars.

The State Engineer was accompanied to the prison camps in Graham county by H. S. Fairbanks, of Washington, D. C., highway engineer of the office of public roads, under the supervision of the department of agriculture.

Mr. Fairbanks was detailed to come to Arizona, at the request of Mr. Cobb, as consulting engineer, to give the state engineer's department the benefit of his experience and advice in the operation of prison labor camps. Mr. Fairbanks comes from Atlanta, Ga., where last January he opened for the office of public roads an experimental road camp, inaugurated to show that a temporary camp can be operated successfully at a reasonable cost and also to test a balanced ration. The experiment proved successful in reducing the cost of feeding a company of men and at the same time increasing the value of the food provided. This ration was provided by the United States public health service. Sanitation was another problem solved.

In this connection it is interesting to note that negro convicts were used for the work carried on at the Atlanta experimental camp, and notwithstanding the opinion generally held in the south that negro prisoners could not be trusted as "honor" men, the trial was entirely successful, not one of the privileged convicts attempting to escape.

Two years ago Mr. Fairbanks and Dr. W. F. Draper visited and investigated for the office of public roads the prison labor camps in twenty states employing convicts on a scale sufficiently large to warrant a study of systems used and conditions prevailing, and they found that Arizona was among the leaders in efficient management of convict labor.

The office of public roads is one of the most important branches of the federal service. Directly under its supervision there will be expended within the next five years \$150,000,000 in the construction of public highways in the various states of the Union, one-half of the amount appropriated by the national government and half to be contributed by the states.

Mr. Cobb spent two days in Clifton and while here approved the application of the Greenlee county board of Supervisors made to the Secretary of Agriculture for a portion of the appropriation allotted to Arizona by the Federal Aid Good Roads Bill to be expended in the cooperative construction of a highway from Morenci to Springerville through the Apache National Forest.

TOWN BUDGET FOR 1916-17

In another column of this issue of the Era will be found the estimate of proposed expenditures for the Town of Clifton for the year 1916-17. In comparing the figures for 1916-17 as against 1915-16 it will be noticed that one of the largest increases occurs in the engineering department, the estimated cost for 1916-17 being \$3230 as against \$650.00 for the year 1915 and 1916. This comes from the fact that a town engineer has been appointed together with a helper in order to draw plans, make surveys and estimates, etc., of the proposed improvements to the town, and this preliminary work will alone cost several thousand dollars.

The town marshal's office has been slightly increased by the addition of special police, while the health department has been cut in the sum of \$1516, as has also the fire department to the extent of \$1972.00. The street and team and corral departments have also been slightly increased.

The expenditures as estimated total \$24,365.00 as compared to \$31,241 last year. For 1916-17 revenues to be derived other than from taxation amount to \$4975.00, leaving the amount to be raised by taxation for the coming year \$29,390.00.

Return Home—

Mrs. Lewis Payne and baby, who have been spending several months at Long Beach, Calif., returned to their home in Clifton the latter part of last week. Mrs. Payne was accompanied home by her mother, Mrs. Francis.

Returns Democratic Primary Election Sept. 12th, 1916

	Apache	Cochise	Cocconino	Gila	Graham	Greenlee	Maricopa	Mohave	Navajo	Pima	Pinal	Santa Cruz	Yavapai	Yuma	TOTAL
U. S. Senate:															
Henry F. Ashurst	547	4150	761	3090	1389	1694	4978	1249	585	1140	1042	461	2006	1235	24327
Congress:															
Carl Hayden	576	3383	691	2319	1278	1137	4313	857	500	617	954	408	1595	973	19600
A. A. Worsley	71	1236	111	1330	238	735	1496	465	141	797	234	96	468	362	7780
Governor:															
G. W. P. Hunt	507	3290	600	2959	739	1172	2805	1181	345	898	663	351	1545	1067	18122
George A. Olney	192	2015	308	1226	955	986	3360	300	336	562	619	197	777	428	12261
Secretary of State:															
Sidney P. Osborn	267	2911	563	2346	629	868	3221	993	473	891	742	377	1501	957	16739
Mit Sims	335	1929	222	1377	958	1226	2682	356	164	444	431	115	650	378	11285
State Treasurer															
D. F. Johnson	473	3539	638	2512	1251	1572	4536	1105	516	1040	888	410	1655	1084	21219
Attorney General:															
Wiley E. Jones	274	2186	513	1019	655	704	2603	624	280	377	572	241	1147	541	11736
Frank E. Curley	29	687	101	517	295	494	1135	255	124	713	148	113	315	388	5284
Norman J. Johnson	257	856	95	1619	437	431	690	292	127	78	200	56	335	161	5534
F. C. Struckmeyer	26	671	96	577	79	290	1368	148	52	190	225	56	270	177	4225
Judges Supreme Court:															
Henry D. Ross	526	3028	436	1999	956	1199	3245	879	339	545	660	89	1571	614	16086
Frank J. Duffy	81	1466	346	1373	434	634	2076	471	243	705	458	449	579	639	9944
State Auditor:															
Jessie L. Boyce	477	3719	767	2848	1218	1599	4626	1155	523	1056	899	408	1703	1097	22095
Tax Commission:															
Chas. R. Howe	407	1966	322	1943	765	777	3001	633	312	674	479	272	910	621	13087
Owen E. Murphy	131	2600	404	1736	466	944	1900	630	229	498	533	171	871	542	11655
Corporation Commission:															
A. A. Betts	310	1755	396	1587	733	915	3632	610	308	517	529	207	950	618	13067
P. J. Miller	217	2481	350	1716	593	805	2026	693	263	707	549	236	1026	643	12305
Supt. Public Instruction:															
C. O. Case	189	1970	407	1507	645	964	2187	504	310	638	440	257	1020	281	11319
Louise Boehringer	314	1220	203	1203	463	539	1237	501	110	365	410	131	509	988	8193
J. A. Riggins	73	1102	161	642	308	319	2327	265	162	236	252	76	451	93	6467
Mine Inspector:															
G. H. Bolin	302	2879	466	1239	666	897	2723	651	313	725	688	283	1188	654	13674
Ed J. Grant	175	1629	239	2415	580	905	2217	677	208	486	388	171	696	491	10277